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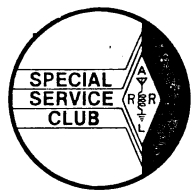


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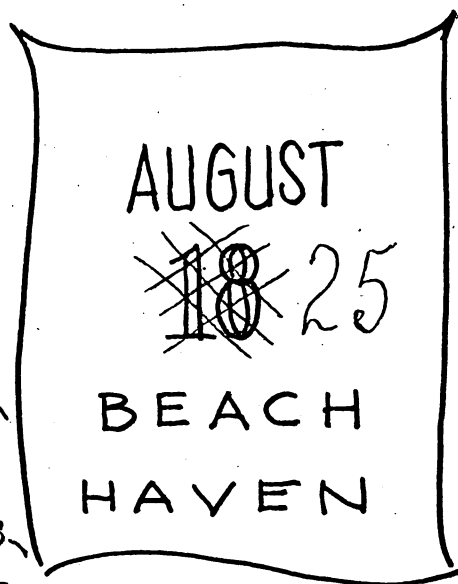
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The Phil-Mont Mobile Radio Club, Inc., meets on the first Monday (mostly) of every month at 8:00 p.m. in the Franklin Institute, 21st St. & Ben Franklin Pkwy.

ALL VISITORS WELCOME !!

Sam's CORNER



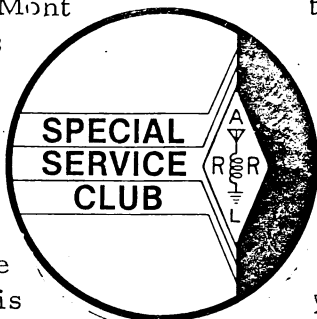
SOMETIMES WE
GET "ONE OF THOSE
DAYS"

The Editor of ~~THE BLURB~~ has a surprise for you this month.
I am pleased to present, after several month's sabbatical,

THE PREZ SEZ - - -

"SSC"

What's an "SSC?" Sounds like the latest turbocharged sports car from the dealer down the street. Actually, it stands for Special Service Club. And Phil-Mont Mobile Radio Club, Inc. is officially an ARRL SSC. The goal of the SSC Program is to establish a more aggressive and more effective presence for Amateur Radio and the ARRL locally. The goal is also to ensure that necessary skills exist and local resources are organized for an effective response to any local situation where Amateur Radio can contribute as a public service, or can benefit from positive exposure.



I want to express my personal "thank you" to Gil, W3SRU, for his many hours of work in preparing application forms and compiling the needed documentation to to have Phil-Mont achieve SSC status. You will be hearing a lot more from Gil as our ARRL Liaison both in ~~THE BLURB~~ and at our Club Meetings. Please pitch in and give him your support.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at our next meeting on Monday, August 6.

Regards,

Ed

ED, KB3IV

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And from Gil we have the following

PHIL-MONT:

ARRL SPECIAL SERVICE CLUB

I am pleased to announce that The Phil-Mont Mobile Radio Club, Inc. has received an ARRL Special Service Club status appointment.

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In order to qualify we had to demonstrate that we are a superior amateur radio club in areas public relations, emergency communications activities, training, technical advancement, operating activities, and other miscellaneous activities.

Some of the benefits associated with our new status are briefly described below: (cont'd page 5)

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JULY 1984 GENERAL MEETING

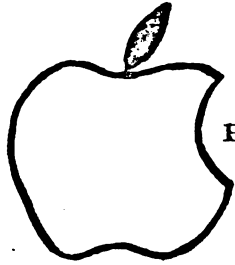
The 416th General Meeting, held on July 2nd, was opened at 8:10 P.M. by KB3IV. The minutes were read and approved. - W3IIN gave the Treasurer's Report, which was accepted. Jinny reminded members to buy Phil-Mont Tee Shirts (\$5.25 ea.) - W3VVS, Paul, introduced the guests: Jackie Chedeville (XYL W3GQD), Ray Herot- WA3EWF, Peter Kendall-Ex WA2ZRG, Dick DaBagian--KA3EMS, Sharon Masarsky (XYL KB3IV), Paul Rilling-WA3HIT. He also mentioned that 37 members attended. - The winner of the drawing was Sharon Masarsky, she chose the alternate prize, one ticket to the 35th Anniversary Banquet (Ed is going to try for his next month) - N3ADI gave a list of DX stations that are on the air now. - Bill, WB3CMM, mentioned the Philadelphia Distance Run which will be held in September. - KB3IV asked for volunteers to help K3GBA with the 10 meter AM net. - W3BBB announced that Delaware County Radio Club tuned-up MOCOM, in lieu of a donation for its use on Field Day. Jim also confirmed his volunteers for Paddle Rama, July 21, 22. - AK2I, Jake, (The Polish Prince Returns) spoke about the new Thursday Night Net. Participation was discussed and items for sale will now be asked for on the air. - W3PWG, Rolland, stated that the Institute would like Phil-Mont's help in operating TKQ during Institute hours. He also said that there are changes in store for the station. - W3IIM, announced that there is a Tubing party scheduled for August 11, at 11.30 A.M. (A great chance to see Jinny in her Wet Phil-Mont Tee Shirt) Reservations and money, \$7.00 per person, are due the Wednesday before. Jack also reminded everyone about the Banquet in November. - Refreshments procured by Steve, KA3AMO, were served. - W3IIM then introduced Peter Kendall, who presented an interesting program on computerized design. This was followed by the first showing of PHIL-MONT DOES DAYTON. (Talk about hamming, N3ADI should get the HAMBONE OF THE YEAR AWARD for his performance as Phil-Mont's answer to the Galloping Gourmet) The meeting was adjourned at 9:45.

JULY 1984 DIRECTORS' MEETING

KB3IV opened the meeting, held at the home of WB3KOH & WB3KOJ, at 8:25 P.M., (following AA's in-pool imitation of Esther Williams) on Wed. July 18th. In attendance were: W3's AA, AWH, GIF, GQD, IIM, IIN, IRS, PST, SRU, ZPP; K3GNM; N3's ADI, DHI, DQG & KA3AMO. - Minutes of the July General Meeting were approved as read - W3IIN presented the Treasurer's Report and reviewed the mid-year financial report, after some discussion, both were accepted. - A critique on the repeater ended with a decision to go back to a Station Master antenna at the top of the pole. (any volunteers?) W3BBB will do this as soon as he can make arrangements for the ladder truck. - Alternative repeater sites were discussed and will be investigated. (No Jack, it won't be in Richboro) - KB3IV said that MOCOM will be used at the MARC Hamfest, in August and the PACRATS in October. - Ed mentioned that volunteers are needed to operate W3TKQ during the IEEE Conference October 6 & 7. Ed announced that Phil-Mont is now an ARRL Special Service Club, he thanked W3SRU (and his trusty camel, Cindy) for all the work that he put into this project. - W3IIM reminded the group of upcoming events: Tubing (8/11) & the Banquet (11/9). The meeting was adjourned at 9:42.

Respectfully submitted

Natalie Gordon-WB3KOH



BYTES FROM THE APPLE

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

02-Thomas D. Bohlander - WA3KLR
04-George W. King - W3PXY
05-Ruth Anderson (XYL WA2RDC)
-Rolland E. Madara - W3PWG
-Kitty Trout - KA3BDU (XYL W3IGW)
07-Michael J. Errigo - WB3EQW
08-Joseph J. Johnston - K3VXU
11-Dot McQueen (XYL W3PCX)
12-Roy P. Kenworthy - W3HNP
14-Pat Mescanti (XYL WB3CMM)
15-Darthea Burton (XYL K3BB)

16-Patricia Gillespie (XYL KB3JW)
17-Grace Burket (XYL W3HQJ)
-Jacob S. Kowalchek, Jr. - AK2I
20-Leon S. Greenwood - N3AVE
22-John M. Muroff - W3SAI
25-Frank T. Whitten - K3TEF
27-Ursula Garvin (XYL W3GRY)
-Doris Hamilton - N3DQG
28-Gordon Lusky - W3APD
30-Paul H. Bohlander - W3VVS
HAPPY BIRTHDAY

(concl'd from page 3)

1. Receive lists of new licensees in the area as this information arrives from the CallBook.
2. New area ARRL members will be automatically referred to the Club.
3. Meeting and contact information will be printed in the ARRL Repeater Directory in a special SSC section.
4. Free subscription to the bi-weekly ARRL Letter.
5. Authorization to wear or display special SSC insignia.
6. Closer personal attention thru greater involvement with League officials.
7. Receive news and pertinent information from a variety of sources.
8. Participation in training programs for Club Officers at ARRL Division Conventions

Each SSC will have an annual review cycle at which time club activities in the various qualification areas will be reviewed and discussed.

SSC status will not be questioned at that time. The purpose is to share information and to discuss possible improvements.

Congratulations to all Phil-Monters! Achievement of this milestone in our club history is a tribute to all our members, both past and present, who have helped to raise our Club to the top-of-the-line level in Amateur Radio.

Special thanks to KB3IV and W3AWH for assisting with our application preparation, and to KB3NE, Eastern Penna. Section Manager and W3ABC, Atlantic Division Director, for their approval and processing of our application.

73,

W3SRU,
ARRL Liaison Officer

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editorial by Wayne Green

W2NSD/4

DUMB WAYNE

Word of a petition I submitted to the FCC having to do with CW was published in abbreviated form in QST. Working on the basis of this biased report and without giving the situation much thought, a few Chicken Littles have been yelling wolf, if I may mix my metaphors. Actually, I think that without exception the reaction has been to attack me personally, not my ideas. I'm used to that.

In a classic case of projection, I'm classed as dumb by amateurs who haven't been reading 73 and thus don't understand what I'm doing. Hey, they may not agree with what I think or do, but if they ascribe dumbness as a factor, they're in trouble.

So what in hell is Wayne up to, anyway? Well, it is simple in some ways, but not quite obvious unless you read things carefully all the way through and then think about it. You 73 readers are used to that—indeed, that may be one of the things that sets you apart from the others.

Let's look at the basic situation. We have a dying hobby—amateur radio. Twenty years ago, 75% of the newcomers were teenagers. Now, not only do we have very few newcomers, but of the ones we do have, only about 25% are teenagers. Thus not only is amateur radio drying up as a market and as a hobby, but also it has almost totally dried up as a source of high-tech career people. This last has, I believe, done serious damage to our country.

Now, I suppose that it is quaint of me to worry about the United States. And it is even sillier for me to let my feelings for my country influence what I do. But I see amateur radio as having two major responsibilities to our country—one as a way to attract youngsters to high-tech careers and the other as the only real backup we have for communications in case of a nuclear attack.

Neither of these is a simple

matter. But I can't help but take emergency communications seriously when President Reagan tells us that a survivable emergency communications service would be one of the best deterrents to an atomic attack yet. This makes eminent sense.

If I didn't think it made sense, I would not have devoted the last few years to working with the FCC's National Industry Advisory Committee and the last 18 months also to the FCC's Long-Range Planning Committee (for emergency communications). I've made many trips to Washington at my expense for these committee meetings and have been one of the more active participants right from the beginning.

By virtue of my position with the committees and my discussions with the FCC Commissioners, I have a fairly good understanding of the state of the art of emergency communications at present for all of the communications services. I've written about this before, so it should not be a news flash. I don't think I'm letting any secrets out if I tell you that other than amateur radio, there are few real plans for coping with any serious emergencies by the commercial radio communications systems. The worst part of it is that you may imagine that amateurs have some sort of wonderful secret plan. Sorry about that, but there's virtually nothing!

Amateurs have taken the lead in coping with emergency communications needs for many years—and we've done rather well, all things considered. These past emergencies have taught us some lessons which seem to quickly get lost when emotional factors come up. Let's take a look at what experience has taught us so we won't forget it.

1. In virtually every emergency, the first thing that goes out is the telephone. Storms, rain, fire, explosions, downed planes—either the wires go down or the switching systems

bog down and radio is all that's left. This means that in emergencies radio is suddenly going to have to be able to handle an enormous amount of message traffic.

2. With few exceptions, the other radio services are inexperienced in dealing with emergencies, are unequipped to provide the equipment and technical people, can't interconnect with other services, and are unable to provide short-, medium-, and long-range communications. The only service really geared to providing serious emergency communications is amateur radio, and amateurs should plan to be able to intercommunicate with other services so as to help the police and fire departments, for instance, keep in touch.

3. In every emergency situation, the amount of message traffic is vastly beyond the capability of the few available trained operators to handle. This could be solved by developing equipment which does not require trained operators to use and by making the communications as high-speed as is practical.

4. Equipment and skills which are not in everyday use are just not dependable in time of emergency.

A nuclear attack (which is the most serious emergency now conceivable) is what is called the "worst case." Other than hoping that some ham will crawl out of his cellar with an intact HT or mobile HF rig and start from scratch, is there anything we can do? That scenario isn't likely to dissuade Russia from taking advantage of a perceived communications weakness some day.

Would that I could be as blasé about American security as most hams (in other words, just not even think about it) and get annoyed if the subject is brought up.

After working with a group of dedicated hams for several years on this matter of ham emergency communications, certain limiting factors have become evident. One is the rela-

tively small number of active hams we have, particularly younger ones who will have the stamina it will take to survive an attack and set up communications. The other is the dependency on communications which are both inherently slow and depend heavily on difficult-to-learn operator skills.

Amateur radio is so pathetically far behind in technology that there is no real justification for the continuance of the hobby from that viewpoint. Indeed, our leaders have allowed the pressures from old-timers to so influence the hobby that there is little honest justification for the hobby on any basis. One of these days someone is going to say out loud that the emperor has no clothes and we could lose all those nice private frequencies. No more DX pileups. No more traffic nets sending useless messages just to do something. No more rag-chewing. No more repeater clunking. No more repeater wars. No more jamming of nets. No more bands jammed with contesters. No more certificate-hunting. No more ham club meetings with three-hour arguments on what color to paint the clubhouse. What would we do? What would we do?

A generation or two ago there were some strong justifications for amateur radio. Old-timers can remember when the rules and regulations were accepted as fundamental truths. There were four reasons cited in the rules for the existence of amateur radio as a service and for the setting aside of millions of dollars of spectrum space.

We were supposed to provide a supply of trained technicians and operators for our country in time of war. Indeed, without amateurs, WWII would have been much more difficult. But those were the days when amateurs did keep up with technology. Indeed, they were in the vanguard, inventing and pioneering virtually every major new communications technology.

Today, with most new hams going the Bash route, it is unusual to find anyone with even a vague technical background. In

the meanwhile, the technology has rushed years ahead of the average amateur. Many of us are working years ahead of the average amateur. Many of us were working with digital communications over 30 years ago, yet these now-old commercial techniques are still not even on the horizon for amateur traffic nets—which are happily brass-pounding away some fifty years behind the times. How many years has it been since amateurs contributed something to communications technology?

Inventing and pioneering are the purview of youngsters and we hams have grown old and cranky. Few of us have been making any effort to get kids involved with hamming. A distressing number of the ham clubs I've visited in recent years seem to have made it a practice to discourage youngsters from joining.

Okay. Perhaps you can see that if there is going to be any realistic emergency communications system established, we are going to have to have a whole lot more hams than we do today—and they are going to have to be younger and livelier. I can just hear the curmudgeons on 75-meter phone huffing and puffing over that.

You know, I get on 20-meter phone as often as I can spare the time, and it is rare that I run into someone who is *not* retired.

You're still wondering how all this fits in with my FCC petition, right? Well, that has a lot to do with the enormous number of comments filed in response to the no-code proposal—mostly

by ARRL-member ham clubs. The gist of these comments was quite consistent: No ham should be licensed without Morse-code skills because these are needed for emergency operating. The old theme of "when all else fails, CW will come through" was said so often that one might think there was some truth in it.

Okay. Let's say that whatever that number of hams agree on actually is the truth—by definition. So if we accept as a fact that we must know Morse code for use in emergency times, then it is inescapable that all hams should be able to demonstrate their competence with the code. The basis for not permitting the FCC to set up a no-code license test on 220 MHz was the need for CW skills for emergencies. So, if the hams who inundated the FCC with these statements were not lying, the logical next step was to see that CW skills are maintained. That's called putting up or shutting up.

My proposal cited the no-code responses. I read through the voluminous report from the Commission when the proposal was terminated. I concluded that the only logical reaction to this massive agreement by the ARRL clubs would be some measure to make sure that hams would not allow these critically-important CW skills to deteriorate and thus not be available when needed.

Further, since the dependence upon CW for emergency communications would pretty much rule out the development

of high-speed automatic digital communications such as I have been trying to promote for the last thirty years (yes, I know when I'm licked, and we know that the volume of emergency traffic is incredible), amateurs would be doing their hobby and our country a serious disservice if they did not continue to develop their CW skills to some practical speed level.

During WWII, hundreds of thousands of people were taught to copy CW at 35 wpm—FOX, the Navy called it—also the speed which most of the commercial CW services used to use before they were automated about 40 years ago. Obviously, almost anyone can learn to copy at 35 per, so why not set that as a norm?

Sure, I knew that the same chaps who were so vehement about newcomers having to learn code would be the first to scream bloody murder if anyone suggested that sauce for the goose was sauce for the gander. The cry would be "grandfather!", right?

Oh, I knew that the FCC would turn down the petition, probably with no good reason given. And I was correct. But I did want to hold the FCC's hand in the fire on this one because they got suckered by a bunch of clubs and old-timers into preventing amateur radio from being able to grow with the times.

On numerous occasions, I have written that I'm not at all sure that it isn't too late to save amateur radio now. A no-code license might have helped, as it

did in Japan. But there it hit big so that they have about three times as many licensed amateurs as we have, and with only half our population. Odd, isn't it, that Japan is graduating seven times as many electronic engineers as we are? I wonder where they are coming from? Does anyone have an idea?

Are we going to be able to put together anything significant in the way of an emergency communications system which might possibly survive a nuclear attack? So far, I see not even a hint of hope for this. We need a massive influx of youngsters. We need to get cracking on developing already-known technology so we can have high-speed error-correcting communications which anyone can operate. We need a million new hams, all with the energy and enthusiasm to make all this happen.

I'm still trying to get the concept of ham clubs back into our high schools. I'm working on a high-tech college. My ideas are beginning to be accepted, so we'll see what happens.

Now, about the code. If you really, honestly believe that it is important, then you must agree with me that it is every bit as important to make sure that this key skill is not permitted to deteriorate through disuse. This means retesting.

If you don't agree about retesting, what other way is there to look at it except that code is not critical to getting a ham license? So, are you for code for others, but not you? Code for all? Or no-code for all? Your deal.

OLD BUSINESS

TVI RETREAT
30 YEARS AGO
AUGUST 1954

Editor: W3PXY, Springfield, Pa.

New members: W3VXN; W3TWQ; W3FUS; W3TER.

Carl, W3SGR, is having peeper problems, so his Doc. insists on complete rest. The ole gas bag may be found at Beach Haven ... Everyone had great time at the French Creek summer outing. 94 showed up! Everyone had a chance to meet W3IGW, Howard and Kitty and their three little ones, Charlie's (W3YJM) wife Sue & two lil YJMs.

Bob (W3IW) and Eleanor brought their own seating. W3UMK, Dick was there. Al, W3HYU, and Geo, W3CNO and a few went for a swim.

Ernie still wants another transmitter hunt.

The annual Banquet's coming up in November! Get a baby sitter now! Cost will be about \$3.00 per nose. Place is Casa Conti in Glenside and can seat about 130. Music by W3JLE.

W3ADF lost a radial off of his ground plane in the recent blow - PIT's mast bent over at a 45, so did CUB's. W3IW said his club coax antenna (sic) suffered no damage thanks to ZN's brains and D\$G's brawn.

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THE BLURB
15 YEARS AGO
AUGUST 1969

Brand New Managing Editor: Anne Hecht, K3JQC.

Dateline June 8, 1969 - de W3QQH
"Phil-Monters completed their semiannual chores as communicators of tournament golf scores Sunday, June 8 at St. David's Golf Course in Wayne, Pa. Beginning at 11:45 A.M. our mobiles, or their walkie-talkie replacements, positioned themselves at crucial greens throughout the course and, as the competing foursomes came thru, tallied the scores and relayed them to W3QV/M acting as control center. Operators at 'QV fed these scores to the main scoreboard. Mobiles participating were W3DSG, K3GNJ, W3GIF, WA3ABU, W3HQJ, K3UWO, K3KNH, and W3QQH operating W3QV. All in all, a very satisfying afternoon for all our mobiles."

(And from the new editor, a thought, which Woody might find to sound somewhat familiar:)

"An Indian Chief is an Indian Chief because he has Indians. No Indians -- no chief.

"A newspaper is a newspaper because it has copy. No copy -- no newspaper.

"The editor's job need not be overpowering if he has assistants and assistance. No help -- no editor -- no newspaper.

"It doesn't take too much time or effort to write a short report or article. You don't have to be a brilliant journalist; you don't even have to be able to spell. "All we want are the facts, sir". From this point the editor takes off

"The Blurb is the tie-in; the connecting link. It should keep you informed on what has occurred, what will occur, and include a few things of interest to the members of Phil-Mont.

"You who receive the Blurb are members of Phil-Mont. To be a member you have to be A PART OF. YOU CANNOT BE A MEMBER BY YOURSELF. When you are a part of something, you cannot be only a "taker" because that way you isolate yourself, and are no longer A PART OF.

"Give a little of your time, your ideas, your "self". Don't just "join" --- BELONG!"
extracted by W3IIM

PHIL-MONT DOES DAYTON

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VOICES ON '03

THE BEARDED ONE - KB3IV

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W3IIM, AK2I, JACKIE

THE SCHEMER W3IIM

THE END MYSTERY BUNS

HAMFESTS 'n' THINGS - - -

AGUST 12 MARC Bucks County Drive-In, More info on 147.66/.06, talk-in 146.52

19 Warren, Ohio @ Trumbull Branch of Kent State University

DelMarVa Hamfest @ Newark Campus of University of Delaware

26 Gloucester County ARC Hamfest, for more info and talk-in, 147.78/.18,
146.52, 223.36/224.96, rain or shine

Central Penna. Repeater Ass'n Hamfest/Computerfest, HERCO Service
Bldg, adjacent to Hershey Park, Penna.

September South Jersey - SJRA Hamfest, no details yet except that it's on the 16th.

October 06 The Mt Airy VHF Radio Club, Inc. HAMARAMA '84 Conference

07 " " " " " " " " " " Flea Market, at the

Bucks County Drive-In, info P.O. Box 311, Southampton, PA 18966

¶ This list (released July 11, 1984) shows the last call sign in each group to be assigned for each district, as of the first of July 1984.

Radic District	Group A Am. Extra	Group B Advanced	Group C Tech/Gen	Group D Novice
0	NG0H	KD0RA	N0PFF	KA0TGO
1	KW1G	KB1OG	N1DEM	KA1LZF
2	NG2B	KD2HR	N2FBC	KA2VQJ
3	KT3Q	KC3OE	N3DZO	KA3M7C
4	AA4DH	KI4OZ	N4KMC	KB4KWQ
5	NR5E	KE5QC	N5HDB	KA5UGO
6	WB6Q	KG6IZ	N6KYO	KB6FXY
7	N17S	KD7XT	N7GJI	KA7TOC
8	NJ8E	KD8SJ	N8FWI	KA8VDZ
9	NB9G	KD9JH	N9EOG	KA9SGU
N. Mariana Is.	AH0D	AH0AC	KH0AG	WH0AAG
Guam	AH2T	AH2BA	KH2BO	WH2AEC
Johnston Is.	AH3A	AH3AC	KH3AB	WH3AAC
Midway Is.		AH4AA	KH4AD	WH4AAF
Hawaii	WH6U	AH6FJ	NH6BP	WH6BAI
Kure Is.			KH7AA	
Amer Samoa	AH8B	AH8AB	KH8AD	WH8AAO
Wake Wilkes Peale		AH9AB	KH9AB	WH9AAB
Alaska		AL7FZ	NL7DY	WL7BEC
Virgin Is.	KP2K	KP2AT	NP2BE	WP2ADY
Puerto Rico	WP4D	KP4HV	NP4KO	WP4DNU

FROM ARRL News LETTER

FROM THE WSYI REPORT

NEW THIRD PARTY COUNTRY LIST ISSUED

The FCC has issued a new list of nations that the United States may exchange third party communications with since there have been some recent changes. The list now reads:

Antigua and	Barbuda	Argentina
Australia	Belize	Bolivia
Brazil	Canada	Chile
Colombia	Costa Rica	Cuba
Dominica	Dominican Republic	Ecuador
El Salvador	The Gambia	Ghana
Grenada	Guatemala	Guyana
Haiti	Honduras	Israel
Jamaica	Jordan	Liberia
Mexico	Nicaragua	Panama
Paraguay	Peru	St. Lucia
St. Vincent & the	Grenadines	Swaziland
Trinidad &	Tobago	Uruguay
Venezuela	4UITU/Geneva, Switzerland	

In addition, the following nations have been given special (temporary) permission to exchange third party traffic between the Olympic Village and the athletes' home countries between July 1 and August 31, 1984:

Hong Kong	Indonesia	Romania
Zimbabwe		

¶ Michigan Area Repeater Council (MARC) Chairman Corwin Moore, WB8UPM, announced that the MARC will sponsor a newsletter for Frequency Coordinators. The North American Coordinators' Newsletter will be edited by John Hackman, WB4VVA, Box 194, Mount Pleasant, MI 48858.

MARC has issued a call for all Frequency Coordinators to work together to form a computerized data base nationwide. Such data would be of great value to both Coordinators and the FCC in resolving coordinating disputes.

The effect of adopting a 20-kHz bandplan for the 146-to-148-MHz segment of the 2-meter band is being studied by the MARC through the use of computerized modeling techniques. Such a bandplan is seen as a possible way of relieving problems for metropolitan areas where the 15-kHz splinter channels have been alleged to be the cause of excessive adjacent channel interference.

¶ In a recent letter to John A. Powers, KA2AHJ, Trustee of the Hall of Science ARC in New York City, FCC's Carol Fox Foelak ordered the club's repeater WB2JSM/R off the air for interfering with coordinated repeaters. A long-time FCC observer noted, "They (FCC) came down on them like a ton of bricks."

The Hall of Science club had been involved in a lengthy battle with the local coordinating body, the Tri-State Amateur Radio Council. The club had operated an uncoordinated repeater on different frequencies in the 2-meter band over the last couple of years. Recently, they had settled on 144.70/145.30 MHz resulting in interference to coordinated repeaters on "29" and "31." Mr. Powers was given 20 days to respond to Ms. Foelak's letter. The July 13 issue of Westlink Report quotes Powers as saying that the club would comply with the terms of the letter.

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**** UPDATE ****

August 6, General Meeting program: Two ARRL video tapes:

1. "AT ANY MOMENT" Amateur Radio and Disaster Preparedness
2. "AMATEUR RADIO'S NEWEST FRONTIER" Post STS-9 (Columbia) flight, with W5LFL and narrated by K6DUE, Roy Neil.
3. AND, by popular demand: A rerun of "PHIL-MONT DOES DAYTON" for all those who missed it!

August 11, TOOBING on the Delaware. Our second annual outing ... Must be fun!
(Please see notice elsewhere in this issue.)

August 25, Sue and Arnie's ANNUAL BATH and BOATING EXPERIENCE! NOTE: revised start time of 1:00 P.M. (That's 13:00, folks.)

September 10, General Meeting program: DUE TO A LAST MINUTE CONFLICT, WE WILL NOT BE HOLDING OUR MEETING AT THE STUDIOS OF WCAU-TV. (Now you're gonna see some scrambling, folks!) --- Stay tuned to your local repeater for further information. Of course, those of you who actually read your BLURB will be given the latest information in the next issue.

October 1, General Meeting program: FAMILY NIGHT including a specially arranged Planetarium show including a demonstration of the newly computerized control console, courtesy of Paul Twomey, WB3BOD.

November 5, General Meeting program: OLE TIMER'S NIGHT with RUSS MILLER, K3NYN as guest speaker. No dinner this year, but we guarantee a fun-time for all! (If you're disappointed about the dinner part, plan to come out to the banquet four days later.)

November 9, PHIL-MONT'S 35! - Banquet and all around BASH. Four piece band (orchestra, for you more sedate types). Music to suit everyone's taste. More details forthcoming. Save your bucks! It'll cost more than the \$3.00 tab for the Fifth Anniversary Banquet (see "Old Business" elsewhere in this issue), but it'll be worth it! ... Oh yes, did you know that the alternate prize given at our general meeting drawings is ONE BANQUET TICKET worth 25 bucks? Even Spencer's buying raffle tickets lately!

SEEUATTHEMEETING!

de W3IIM

NEWS FLASH!

We hope as of this printing the MT. AIRY OBSERVATORY has been re-manned by W3GIF, after a stay in sick bay. Give Al a call or drop him a line. I'm sure he would appreciate it.

ED.

Re: FEEDBACK -

Ah, yes, we did get a couple of very nice letters from members who are far, far away. Bob Lachman, W3UQ, formerly W3OEC, and his wife, Leatha told us that they will NOT be coming north this year, but to keep the BLURB coming south. They also wrote about how much they appreciate Sam's Corner and his other artwork. They further mentions their visitors; W3ADV, W3AA, W3PXW, W3HJQ, N3ADI, W3SGR, W3VVS, W2FUW, K3GNM, N2RM, W3SMA, and W3YHV usually stopped by via the Mainliners Net on 20m. Then there have been some eyeball QSOs; W3AWH and Stella, W3BBB and Elaine, W3IIM and W3IIN, W3GQD and Jackie, W3JIL and Bess, W2FUW and Dee, W3AA and Marion, N2EMN and Gladys, W3PST and Jerrie, and N2RM and N3DM. He says that he may have missed some, but "Come On Down." The other DXer was KF4LM/DA2, Rich Reichert, stationed in DX-1 land for a while, who understood my problems completely, having been a redactor before he was sent overseas. Thanks Rich and Bob, we'll check on some things for a while.

Phil-Mont's monthly calendar for August is covered elsewhere in this issue except for the following:

05 W3AWG	2m NCS
12 AK2I	2m NCS
19 K3PHC	2m NCS
26 N3AVE	2m NCS (no bath for you, Stan)

TEAR OFF HERE

TOOBING AUGUST 11, 1984

PLEASE FILL IN AND RETURN WITH FULL PAYMENT TO JINNY, W3IIN
BY AUGUST 6, 1984

NAME: _____ CALL: _____

_____ TOOBERS AT \$7.00 PER TOOBER = \$ _____

Please return top portion with payment to W3IIN.

YOU MAY EITHER MAIL OR HAND DELIVER TO JINNY (AT THE AUGUST MEETING)
NO LATER THAN THE ABOVE DATE.

CAST OFF TIME IS 11:30 A.M. SHARP!

THIS IS A RESERVED TIME SLOT AND WE MUST BE THERE ON TIME OR WE LOOSE
THE RESERVATION AND WILL HAVE TO WAIT SEVERAL HOURS FOR A NEW TIME.

ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE IN ADVANCE.

THERE ARE 25 TOOBS RESERVED, SO MAKE YOUR RESERVATION EARLY. AFTER
THESE 25 ARE GONE ALL OTHERS ARE ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVED BASIS,
I WILL TRY MY BEST TO ACCOMMODATE ALL. DO IT NOW, DON'T WAIT!

THERE IS A \$1.00 PER CAR PARKING FEE. PARKING IS AVAILABLE ONLY FOR
TOOBERS WITH RESERVATIONS AND THE PROPER PASSWORD, WHICH I WILL GIVE
YOU UPON RECEIPT OF PAYMENT IN FULL. de W3IIN

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Please note the change in
location of August 6th meeting,
same building, but not our
usual room. It will be
the same as last month but
note same as previous months

the blurb

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